

### School Building Nearly Complete

Narbonne Structure Is About Ready for Occupancy

The work on Narbonne's new building is practically completed. The seats are yet to be installed, and there is some painting to be done. The new gymnasium, both boys' and girls', are great improvements over the old ones.

The girls' gym has 62 showers with separate dressing rooms and is exceedingly modern in construction. The girls' corrective room, which is spacious and up-to-date, besides being used for corrective classes, will be used as a recreation and social hall.

Discontinue Use of Tents The boys' gym, which is already finished, is much larger than the old one and has many new features. It contains two shower rooms, a supply and towel room, rooms for the coaches, and a large corrective room.

### Citrus Loss From Cold Estimated

Valencia Growers Hardest Hit By Frost Wave

California citrus growers, principal victims of the most severe cold wave the state has experienced since 1913, will market approximately 11,582,000 fewer boxes of fruit this year than they did in 1936, it was indicated this week.

Best available estimates gathered by the federal state crop reporting service, as of Feb. 1, indicate intense January cold will reduce California's multi-million dollar crop by 16,792,000 boxes.

Valencia orange growers, reports indicated, were hit hardest. Damage was more widespread because of the cold wave struck. Lemons growers, who had harvested approximately one-fifth of the year's production, probably will lose 2,484,000 boxes, leaving a current crop forecast of 5,832,000 boxes.

Frost losses are expected to cut the grapefruit crop in half, with 1,066,000 boxes ruined and the marketable crop totalling 1,287,000 boxes.

### Chamber Secretary Named Associate Editor of Mag

Secretary L. J. Gilmeister of the Chamber of Commerce was named associate editor of the "Bulletin," publication of the California Association of Commercial Secretaries at the annual convention this week in Stockton. He was unable to attend the state meeting.

### Poolhall Limit Will Not Be Stretched

Because Torrance has reached its limit of three poolhalls, applications for licenses to conduct such establishments by Thomas Ford and Bert M. Sharon were tabled by the city council at its adjourned meeting Monday night.

In filing the applications, the council noted that no new poolhall licenses would be granted here until the surrender of one or more of the present licenses.

Longevity Credited to Work WOLCOTT, N. Y. (U.P.)—Abijah Vought boasts 92 years of health without a drop of medicine.

If threads of spark plugs are coated with graphite grease they will be easy to remove the next time it's done.

## Remember the Maine?

It Happened 39 Years Ago This Month

Thirty-nine years ago this month the nation was shocked by the news that the U.S.S. Maine had blown up in Havana harbor while on a friendly visit to Cuba. Two hundred and fifty-four lives were snuffed out in the first blast. Thirteen others died later of their wounds.

The explosion occurred about 9:40 o'clock on the night of Feb. 15, shortly after a young marine trumpeter had blown "Taps." A moment before the tragedy Captain Charles D. Sigbee, who was writing at his desk in his cabin, laid down his pen to listen to the notes of the bugle which, he afterwards said, "were singularly beautiful in the oppressive stillness of the night."

Following the blast the whole forward part of the ship catapulted upward in a searing flame, amid the crash of falling beams and twisted bits of

### Crossing Guards Continue In Service



Contrary to rumors, the WPA school crossing guards assigned to the sheriff's department are continuing their service. This is evidenced by the above picture which shows a crossing guard, one of 610 WPA guards, escorting grateful kiddies in safety at Melrose avenue and La Cienega boulevard.

### Better Housing Bureau Stresses FHA Advantages

The Los Angeles county better housing program is making every effort to bring the Federal Housing Act to the attention of those people who, at the present time or in the near future, may become interested in owning their own home.

One can take advantage of any of the conditions set forth above with the establishment of an equity as low as 20 percent of the appraised valuation. Under the National Housing Act there has been established a low rate of interest, long terms and a liberal financing plan.

CAR JIMMIED E. L. Hedlund of the Brighton hotel reported to police Friday that his car door had been jimmied and a spare wheel and tire taken from the machine sometime Thursday night.

## Home Bargain!

Attractive Stucco Home SIX ROOMS WITH TWO BEDROOMS LIKE NEW! Only \$3000—with \$500 Down; Balance in Monthly Payments. Property has advantageous \$1800 mortgage loan, newly made. This home is located convenient to Torrance in Gilbert Tract—the finest district in Gardena. For further particulars, see H. L. GILBERT 1056 Sunset Blvd., Los Angeles Phone Michigan 3621

## Proposed Round-the-World Flight



Shown by the heavy line on this map is the 27,000-mile route which Amelia Earhart, conqueror of both the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans, is now planning. She will take a navigator but will fly her plane herself, keeping it charted as near the equator as possible.

### Million a Month Paid Aged, Blind, Needy in County

More Than 35,000 Receive State Aid and Count Is Increasing

Residents in Torrance, Lomita and other sections of Los Angeles county, who are either aged, blind or dependent, now receive a total of nearly \$1,000,000 a month collectively, according to the department of charities report this week to the state department of social welfare.

During January, the number of new applications for state aid exceeded 1,000. Not all out many of these probably will be found eligible for assistance. Today, more than 35,000 persons in the county are receiving what is commonly known as state aid for the aged, the blind and dependent children; the county charities department report stated.

Six months ago, the total was 26,928. The increase of approximately 31 percent during the half-year period is largely due to liberalization of the state aid requirements.

Aged aid cases increased from 17,573 on Sept. 1, 1936, to 25,030, on last Feb. 1. Dependent children increased from 6,933 to 7,696 during the period, while blind aid cases increased from 2,422 to 2,478. The actual total paid out to state aid cases of the three classifications last month was shown to be \$997,135, and the \$1,000,000 mark soon will be exceeded, it was indicated.

### Rotary Proxy May Get "Law" After Absent Members

Following up his threat of last week to send collect telegrams to absent members, President Charles V. Jones of the Rotary Club this week announced intentions of calling in the sheriff's office to help him round up absentees.

At the same time, Jones reported that the program at tonight's dinner session will be featured by the presentation of a sound motion picture entitled "The First 20 Million Years In 20 Minutes."

This will be screened by a Mr. Knudsen of the public education bureau of the Southern California Gas Company—and will be "an authentic picture of Southern California, ancient and modern."

COUNCIL MEETS TODAY Councilman George V. Powell was missing at the adjourned meeting of the city council Monday night. At the conclusion of the civic business session, the council voted to adjourn until this afternoon at 4:30 o'clock.

### Peace Officers Assemble Here Monday Night

An allocation of \$50 was made by the city council Monday night toward the expense of entertaining the Peace Officers' association Monday night at the Hollywood Riviera clubhouse. Torrance officers will be host to the group at this regular annual event.

The dinner meeting, which is to start at 7 o'clock, is open to the public. Capt. Clem Peoples, county jailer, will provide the entertainment and the principal speaker will be Assemblyman Ben Rosenthal, of Los Angeles.

### Townsend Club Activities

As Reported By Beth Paige

Last Thursday evening the president and treasurer both were kept home by illness. However, we have a most capable secretary who filled all three positions most acceptably in an emergency. But said secretary, Mrs. Laura Davis, headed the procession taking the whole meeting to the home of the very much surprised and amused president, Mrs. Minnie Collier, who begins to believe now that the Townsend members really are solicitous about her health.

Several club evenings have seen the stereotyped state of give way to informal chats and exchanges of ideas "for the good of the order." Those ideas will soon be given concrete form. Watch your Torrance Herald Townsend items for further announcement and details of a big mass meeting which is now being planned for all citizens at the elementary school auditorium, on Feb. 27, at 7:45 p. m.

There is to be a good program in which a harp soloist will take a prominent part, vocal and piano solos, group singing, and, best of all, a speaker of wide renown, a man who was an attaché of the White House during Ex-President Woodrow Wilson's administration and a trusted emissary in the diplomatic service at that time. All professional and business men will want to hear him as his message is to them, especially.

GET UP NIGHTS DUE TO BLADDER IRRITATION? It's not normal. It's nature's "Danger Signal." Make this 25c test. Use buchu leaves, juniper oil, and 6 other drugs, made into little green tablets called Bukets. Flush out excess acids and impurities. Excess acids can cause irritation resulting in getting up nights, scanty flow, frequent desire, burning, backache, and leg pains. Just say Bukets to your druggist. In four days if not pleased your 25c will be refunded. Dolley Drug Co.—adv.

### Flipping The Herald Files Backward

1924—Thirteen Years Ago Southern California Edison Company opens office at 1415 Marcellina with Mrs. M. E. Cleary in charge.

Lewis Rippe opens new furniture store at 1919 Carson street.

Substantial cash donations to Torrance Hospital Association insure early erection of a modern, fireproof institution. Miss Ethel Burnham of Washington added to high school faculty.

Long article published entitled "Veterans Present Argument for Adjusted Compensation."

C. C. M. O. pays city \$11,500 derriek tax.

1927—Ten Years Ago Rain and wind storm that snapped high power wires, uprooted trees and toppled phone poles does \$10,000 damage here. Flood closes schools. Little Robert Leech, eight months old, recovers at hospital after operation for removal from his tummy of an open safety pin.

P. E. wants to boost rail fares here 20 percent; 98 cents round trip to L. A. instead of 82 cents. George Proctor is re-elected president of C. of C. Starring in "Exit Smiling" movie at Torrance theatre were Beatrice Lillie and Jack Pickford. Also showing was "The Nervous Wreck" featuring Harrison Ford, Phyllis Haver, Chester Conklin and Hobart Bosworth.

1932—Five Years Ago Legion post champions retention of city's 10-cent promotional tax, plans house-to-house canvass in behalf of Chamber of Commerce support.

Large cast of home-talent actors stage "The College Flapper" before capacity audience at high school auditorium.

Final touches put on new justice court quarters in Levy building on Cravens avenue. Judge John Demis invites all to opening.

Mr. and Mrs. D. N. McCord.

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## Sam Levy Appointed Dealer for General Electric Appliances

Appointment of the Sam Levy Department Store as authorized dealer in Torrance for General Electric appliances was made today. A large section of the recently enlarged department store has been given over to a comprehensive display of the various General Electric appliances.

Among the famous G-E products which are now on display at Sam Levy's are: refrigerators, ranges, washing machines, ironers, and a full line of smaller appliances, including the new X-Ray and Infra-Red lamps for electro therapy treatments.

Opening Specials "We selected the celebrated General Electric line because of its proven dependability and satisfactory service to over 60,000 Southern California users," said Mr. Levy. A number of announcement-specials are featured in the advertisement printed on the back page of this issue.

As an added treat for the ladies, Sam Levy is offering the famous 140-page General Electric New Art Recipe Book, usually sold at one dollar a copy for ten cents. This beautiful book, which is fully illustrated in color, contains recipes, menus, shopping hints, party ideas, and a wealth of information for the modern homemaker. Its up-to-the-minute, attractive, spiral bound to make it lie flat when opened to any page.

Thirteen, Ten, Five and One Year Ago

1936—One Year Ago J. G. Koch announces plans for construction of new Star Department store at Sartori and Post avenues.

Record crowd attends annual hospital ball held at Surf and Sand club in Hermosa. Water tank atop tower passes final test, gets final paint coats.

Eight School P. T. A. organized with Mrs. R. S. Sleeth elected president. Mrs. George B. Worcester returns from six weeks' vacation at Honolulu.

KITE TOURNAY FEB. 27 The newly organized boys' club "Regular Fellows" is making kites at the Recreation Center. All kites will be entered in a contest Saturday, Feb. 27.

34th Rexall BIRTHDAY SALE ILASOL skin lotion reg. 25c size 19c HORTON'S CHOCOLATE COVERED CHERRIES 25c

ASK about the 76-piece Ensemble Table Set \$1 Purest Cod Liver Oil (16 ozs.) 79c 50c Rexall Orderlies (60's) 39c 50c Jortee Face Powder 39c 25c Brite Liquid Nail Polish 17c 99c MI31 Solution & MI31 Dental Creme 59c

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